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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Latchford, et al.

Serial No.: 09/921,938

Confirmation No.: 8367

Filed: August 2, 2001

For: Photolithography Scheme
Using a Silicon Containing
Resist

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

§§ Group Art Unit: 1752

§§ Examiner: Amanda C. Walke

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 26, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 26, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due in conjunction with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/4227.P1/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 16 and 18, without prejudice, and amend the claims as follows: